

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 93

BY RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO FOREST AND RANGE FIRES; AMENDING CHAPTER 1, TITLE 38, IDAHO CODE,
BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 38-104B, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR NON-
PROFIT RANGELAND FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATIONS, TO DEFINE A TERM AND TO
PROVIDE PROCEDURES.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 1, Title 38, Idaho Code, be, and the same is
hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and des-
ignated as Section 38-104B, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

38-104B. NONPROFIT RANGELAND FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATIONS. (1) "Non-
profit rangeland fire protection association" means a nonprofit corporation
or nonprofit unincorporated association, that has entered into an agreement
for the detection, prevention or suppression of forest and range fires with
the state of Idaho or any agency of the state of Idaho pursuant to title 38,
Idaho Code.

(2) A group of rangeland owners wishing to establish a rangeland fire
protection association shall petition the director of the department of
lands. The director may accept petitions where:

(a) Petitioners meet the requirements established by the director con-
cerning the legal status of the association, liability insurance and
governing and managing structure; and

(b) Petitioners demonstrate financial ability to form a rangeland fire
protection association; or

(c) Adequate state funding exists, as determined by the director, to
assist in the initial establishment of the association.

(3) Prior to entering into an agreement, and annually thereafter, the
director shall review and inspect the association for the following:

(a) The governing and managing structure of the association;

(b) The adequacy of liability insurance; and

(c) The training of all association personnel.